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May 6, 2019

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Dear Mr. Coleman:

I write to seek information about how and why LookingGlass Cyber Solutions, Inc. compiled and shared data on peaceful protests with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

According to media reports, in June of 2018 your company gathered information related to more than 600 peaceful demonstrations against the Trump administration's family separation policies across the United States. The information collected included physical addresses of events and Facebook event IDs. Media reports also suggest that your company shared this information, on its own initiative, with DHS and state law enforcement agencies.

Peaceful demonstrations are protected under the First Amendment and are crucial to a healthy democracy. Surveillance of protests — whether by the government, defense contractors, or unlawful vigilantes — can significantly chill this lawful, First Amendment-protected activity. The restrictive effects of surveillance are further amplified for people who belong to communities that have long been over-policed and discriminated against by the state, particularly people of color.

The American public have a right to understand why your company was closely monitoring lawful protests and then sharing that information with DHS. Given the obvious ethical questions that such monitoring raise, I ask that you please respond to the following questions by May 30, 2019:

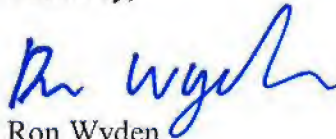
1. Did anyone from the U.S. government or anyone representing themselves as spokespeople for the U.S. government request you collect data about peaceful demonstrations across the country?
2. Why did your company compile data about peaceful demonstrations across the country? Did anyone from your company discuss the protests or family separation policies with any U.S. government official prior to your company beginning this collection?
3. What information did your company collect about these demonstrations?
4. Why was your company looking into activities specifically related to family separation policies? Has your company monitored protests of any other kind in the past? If yes, please explain.
5. How did your company collect this data? To the extent that your employees obtained data by accessing websites that require users to be logged in, did your employees use inauthentic accounts? Additionally, did your company utilize accounts that did not use

real names or accounts that did not disclose that the people using them worked for your company, potentially in violation of websites terms of service?

6. Please identify all entities, including individuals, with whom you shared data on the protests.
7. Why was this data shared with DHS? Did DHS subsequently sign any contracts with your company or otherwise take any steps that directly benefited your company?
8. Has your company ever collected data of any type under contract with DHS?

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I await your timely response.

Sincerely,



Ron Wyden
United States Senator